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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Paul FRANCIS et al.

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 6, 2006

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 10, 1006, for one month(s) from May 10, 2006, to June 10, 2006.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$120.00) to cover the cost of the extension fee. In the event that this check is found to be insufficient, or if any additional fees are due with respect to the filing of this paper, please charge Counsel's Deposit Account Number 50-2222.

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